

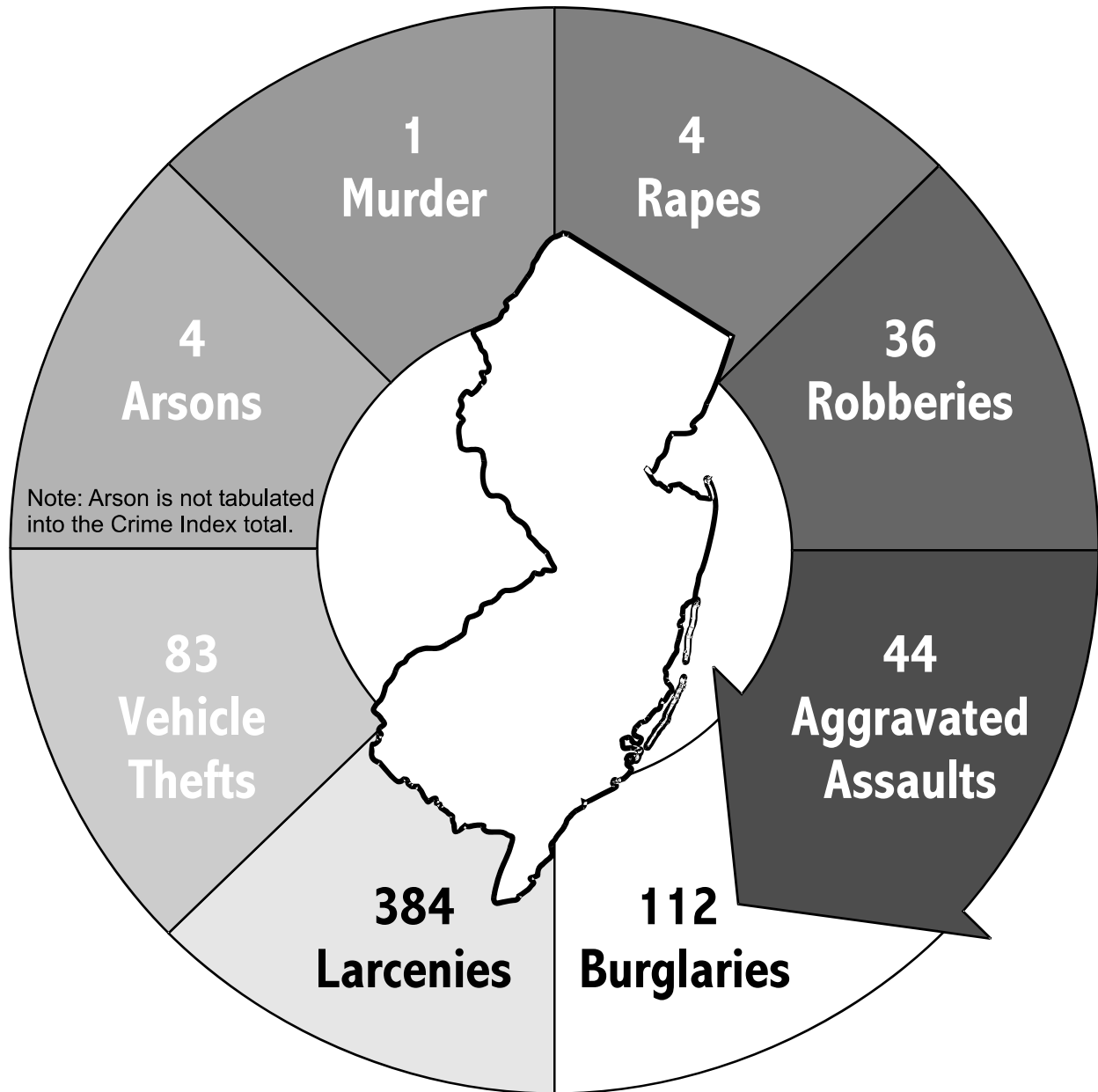


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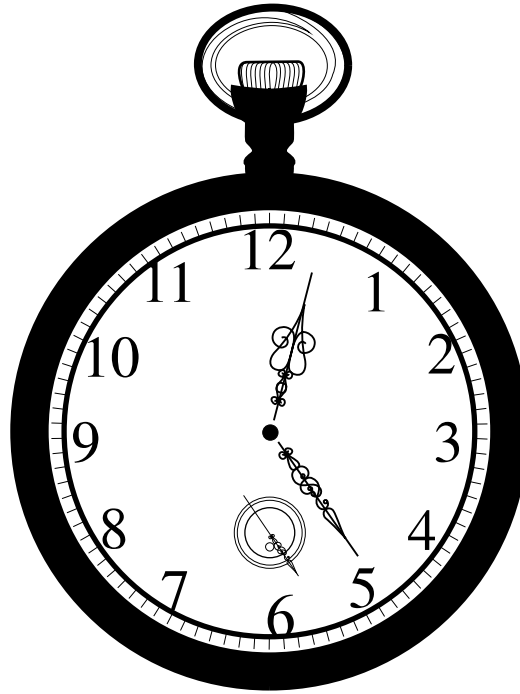
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## **STATE SUMMARY & OFFENSE ANALYSIS**

## 24 Hour Crime Cycle in New Jersey — 2004



# NEW JERSEY CRIME CLOCK — 2004



## CRIME INDEX OFFENSE

**1 every 2 minutes and 10 seconds**

### VIOLENT CRIME

**1 every 17 minutes**

### NON-VIOLENT CRIME

**1 every 2 minutes  
and 29 seconds**

#### MURDER

**1 every 22 hours  
and 21 minutes**

#### RAPE

**1 every 6 hours  
and 36 minutes**

#### BURGLARY

**1 every 12 minutes  
and 49 seconds**

#### LARCENY-THEFT

**1 every 3 minutes  
and 45 seconds**

#### ROBBERY

**1 every 40 minutes  
and 13 seconds**

#### AGGRAVATED ASSAULT

**1 every 32 minutes  
and 36 seconds**

#### MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT

**1 every 17 minutes  
and 20 seconds**

# CRIME INDEX FOR THE STATE - 2004

| OFFENSES                        | NUMBER OF INDEX OFFENSES | RATE PER 1,000 INHABITANTS | PERCENT DISTRIBUTION | NUMBER OF OFFENSES CLEARED | PERCENT OF OFFENSES CLEARED |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>MURDER</b>                   | <b>392</b>               | <b>*</b>                   | <b>0.2</b>           | <b>244</b>                 | <b>62.2</b>                 |
| <b>RAPE</b>                     | <b>1,328</b>             | <b>0.2</b>                 | <b>0.5</b>           | <b>587</b>                 | <b>44.2</b>                 |
| Rape                            | 1,202                    | 0.1                        | 0.5                  | 537                        | 44.7                        |
| Attempted Rape                  | 126                      | *                          | 0.1                  | 50                         | 39.7                        |
| <b>ROBBERY</b>                  | <b>13,071</b>            | <b>1.5</b>                 | <b>5.4</b>           | <b>3,465</b>               | <b>26.5</b>                 |
| Firearm                         | 4,259                    | 0.5                        | 1.8                  | 818                        | 19.2                        |
| Knife or Cutting Instrument     | 1,360                    | 0.2                        | 0.6                  | 363                        | 26.7                        |
| Other Dangerous Weapon          | 966                      | 0.1                        | 0.4                  | 246                        | 25.5                        |
| Strong Arm (Hands, Fists, etc.) | 6,486                    | 0.8                        | 2.7                  | 2,038                      | 31.4                        |
| <b>AGGRAVATED ASSAULT</b>       | <b>16,126</b>            | <b>1.9</b>                 | <b>6.7</b>           | <b>9,514</b>               | <b>59.0</b>                 |
| Firearm                         | 2,366                    | 0.3                        | 1.0                  | 834                        | 35.2                        |
| Knife or Cutting Instrument     | 3,363                    | 0.4                        | 1.4                  | 1,834                      | 54.5                        |
| Other Dangerous Weapon          | 5,179                    | 0.6                        | 2.1                  | 2,830                      | 54.6                        |
| Strong Arm (Hands, Fists, etc.) | 5,218                    | 0.6                        | 2.2                  | 4,016                      | 77.0                        |
| <b>BURGLARY</b>                 | <b>41,032</b>            | <b>4.8</b>                 | <b>16.9</b>          | <b>6,125</b>               | <b>14.9</b>                 |
| Forcible Entry                  | 24,944                   | 2.9                        | 10.3                 | 3,872                      | 15.5                        |
| Unlawful Entry - No Force       | 11,676                   | 1.4                        | 4.8                  | 1,751                      | 15.0                        |
| Attempted Forcible Entry        | 4,412                    | 0.5                        | 1.8                  | 502                        | 11.4                        |
| <b>LARCENY - THEFT</b>          | <b>140,181</b>           | <b>16.2</b>                | <b>57.8</b>          | <b>26,698</b>              | <b>19.0</b>                 |
| <b>MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT</b>      | <b>30,314</b>            | <b>3.5</b>                 | <b>12.5</b>          | <b>1,811</b>               | <b>6.0</b>                  |
| Automobiles                     | 27,246                   | 3.2                        | 11.2                 | 1,526                      | 5.6                         |
| Trucks and Buses                | 1,354                    | 0.2                        | 0.6                  | 133                        | 9.8                         |
| Other Vehicles                  | 1,714                    | 0.2                        | 0.7                  | 152                        | 8.9                         |
| <b>TOTAL CRIME INDEX</b>        | <b>242,444</b>           | <b>28.1</b>                | <b>100.0</b>         | <b>48,444</b>              | <b>20.0</b>                 |
| <b>VIOLENT CRIME</b>            | <b>30,917</b>            | <b>3.6</b>                 | <b>12.8</b>          | <b>13,810</b>              | <b>44.7</b>                 |
| <b>NONVIOLENT CRIME</b>         | <b>211,527</b>           | <b>24.5</b>                | <b>87.2</b>          | <b>34,634</b>              | <b>16.4</b>                 |

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# CRIME TRENDS—NUMBER—RATE—CLEARANCES

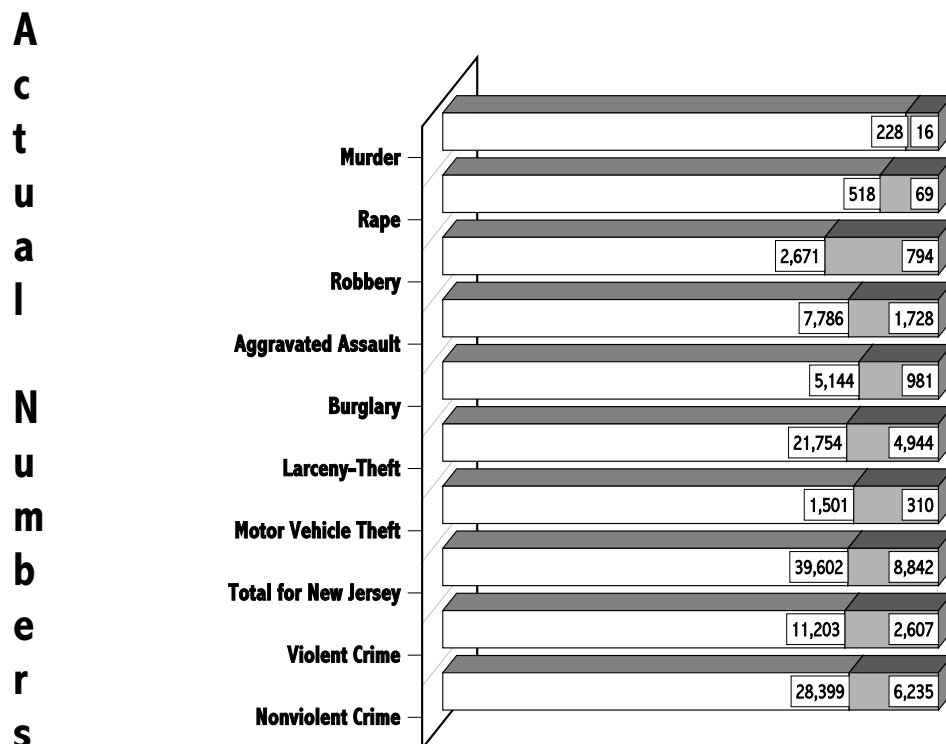
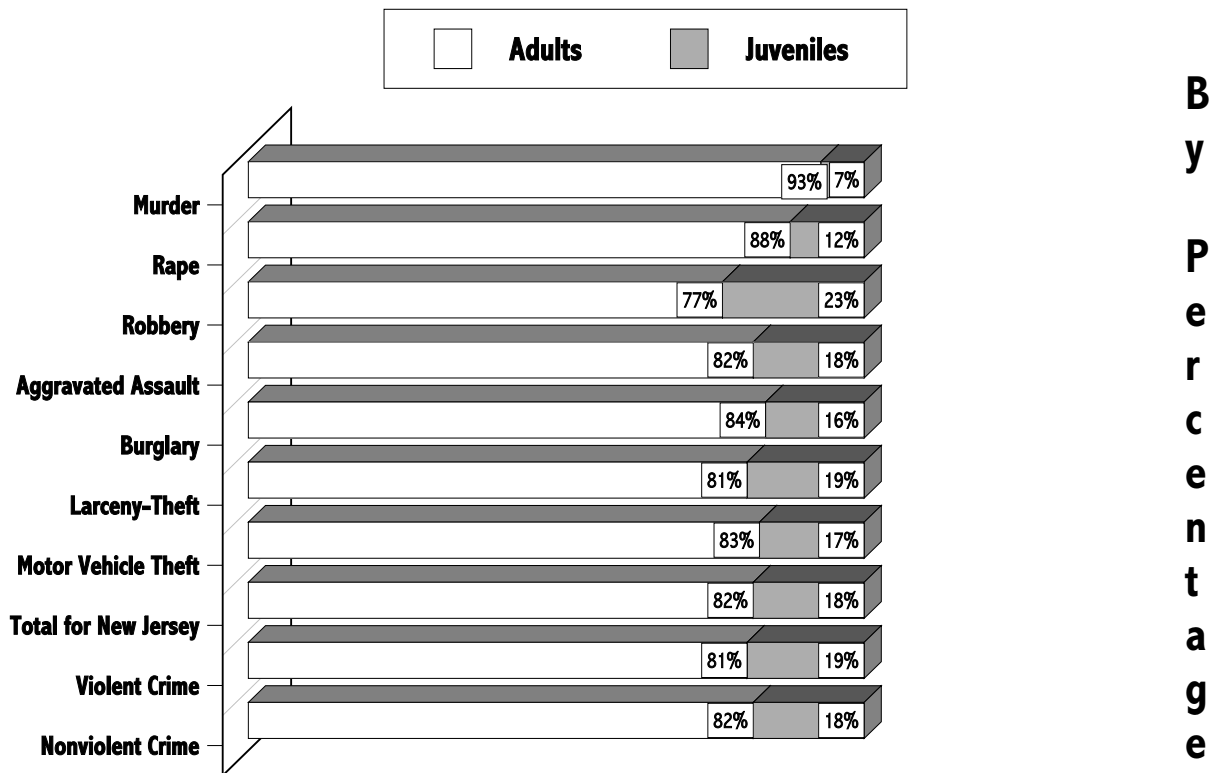
## 2003/2004—PERCENT CHANGES

| INDEX OFFENSES             | NUMBER OF OFFENSES  | RATE PER 1,000 INHABITANTS | NUMBER OF OFFENSES CLEARED | PERCENT OF OFFENSES CLEARED |
|----------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>MURDER</b>              | 2003 406            | *                          | 291                        | 71.7                        |
|                            | <b>2004 392</b>     | *                          | <b>244</b>                 | <b>62.2</b>                 |
|                            | Percent Change -3   | &                          | -16                        | -13                         |
| <b>RAPE</b>                | 2003 1,283          | 0.2                        | 637                        | 49.6                        |
|                            | <b>2004 1,328</b>   | 0.2                        | 587                        | 44.2                        |
|                            | Percent Change 4    | 0                          | -8                         | -11                         |
| <b>ROBBERY</b>             | 2003 13,385         | 1.6                        | 3,520                      | 26.3                        |
|                            | <b>2004 13,071</b>  | <b>1.5</b>                 | <b>3,465</b>               | <b>26.5</b>                 |
|                            | Percent Change -2   | -6                         | -2                         | 1                           |
| <b>AGGRAVATED ASSAULT</b>  | 2003 16,442         | 1.9                        | 9,662                      | 58.8                        |
|                            | <b>2004 16,126</b>  | <b>1.9</b>                 | <b>9,514</b>               | <b>59.0</b>                 |
|                            | Percent Change -2   | 0                          | -2                         | ◇                           |
| <b>BURGLARY</b>            | 2003 43,375         | 5.1                        | 6,152                      | 14.2                        |
|                            | <b>2004 41,032</b>  | <b>4.8</b>                 | <b>6,125</b>               | <b>14.9</b>                 |
|                            | Percent Change -5   | -6                         | ◇                          | 5                           |
| <b>LARCENY - THEFT</b>     | 2003 142,603        | 16.6                       | 26,113                     | 18.3                        |
|                            | <b>2004 140,181</b> | <b>16.2</b>                | <b>26,698</b>              | <b>19.0</b>                 |
|                            | Percent Change -2   | -2                         | 2                          | 4                           |
| <b>MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT</b> | 2003 34,655         | 4.0                        | 1,938                      | 5.6                         |
|                            | <b>2004 30,314</b>  | <b>3.5</b>                 | <b>1,811</b>               | <b>6.0</b>                  |
|                            | Percent Change -13  | -13                        | -7                         | 7                           |
| <b>TOTAL CRIME INDEX</b>   | 2003 252,149        | 29.4                       | 48,313                     | 19.2                        |
|                            | <b>2004 242,444</b> | <b>28.1</b>                | <b>48,444</b>              | <b>20.0</b>                 |
|                            | Percent Change -4   | -4                         | ◇                          | 4                           |
| <b>VIOLENT CRIME</b>       | 2003 31,516         | 3.7                        | 14,110                     | 44.8                        |
|                            | <b>2004 30,917</b>  | <b>3.6</b>                 | <b>13,810</b>              | <b>44.7</b>                 |
|                            | Percent Change -2   | -3                         | -2                         | ◇                           |
| <b>NONVIOLENT CRIME</b>    | 2003 220,633        | 25.7                       | 34,203                     | 15.5                        |
|                            | <b>2004 211,527</b> | <b>24.5</b>                | <b>34,634</b>              | <b>16.4</b>                 |
|                            | Percent Change -4   | -5                         | 1                          | 6                           |

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# Index Offenses Cleared

## Adult and Juvenile Distribution — 2004



# TYPE AND VALUE OF PROPERTY STOLEN AND RECOVERED 2003/2004

| TYPE OF PROPERTY            | YEAR           | VALUE OF<br>PROPERTY<br>STOLEN | VALUE OF<br>PROPERTY<br>RECOVERED | PERCENT OF<br>VALUE<br>RECOVERED | PERCENT<br>DISTRIBUTION<br>OF PROPERTY<br>STOLEN |
|-----------------------------|----------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|--|
| Currency, Notes, etc.       | 2003           | \$46,507,531                   | \$2,603,974                       | 5.6                              | 9.7  |
|                             | <b>2004</b>    | <b>\$46,506,840</b>            | <b>\$5,186,473</b>                | <b>11.2</b>                      | <b>10.3</b>                                      |
|                             | Percent Change | *                              | 99                                | 100                              | 6  |
| Jewelry and Precious Metals | 2003           | \$41,603,080                   | \$2,574,753                       | 6.2                              | 8.6  |
|                             | <b>2004</b>    | <b>\$42,004,491</b>            | <b>\$1,925,017</b>                | <b>4.6</b>                       | <b>9.3</b>                                       |
|                             | Percent Change | 1                              | -25                               | -26                              | 8  |
| Furs                        | 2003           | \$299,148                      | \$12,734                          | 4.3                              | 0.1  |
|                             | <b>2004</b>    | <b>\$442,003</b>               | <b>\$69,043</b>                   | <b>15.6</b>                      | <b>0.1</b>                                       |
|                             | Percent Change | 48                             | 442                               | 263                              | 0  |
| Clothing                    | 2003           | \$8,461,782                    | \$1,353,769                       | 16.0                             | 1.8  |
|                             | <b>2004</b>    | <b>\$7,594,564</b>             | <b>\$1,120,740</b>                | <b>14.8</b>                      | <b>1.7</b>                                       |
|                             | Percent Change | -10                            | -17                               | -8                               | -6   |
| Motor Vehicles              | 2003           | \$283,257,951                  | \$158,383,694                     | 55.9                             | 58.8   |
|                             | <b>2004</b>    | <b>\$251,234,830</b>           | <b>\$141,198,663</b>              | <b>56.2</b>                      | <b>55.6</b>                                      |
|                             | Percent Change | -11                            | -11                               | 1                                | -5   |
| Miscellaneous               | 2003           | \$101,612,491                  | \$7,288,885                       | 7.2                              | 21.1   |
|                             | <b>2004</b>    | <b>\$103,749,705</b>           | <b>\$9,024,151</b>                | <b>8.7</b>                       | <b>23.0</b>                                      |
|                             | Percent Change | 2                              | 24                                | 21                               | 9  |
| <b>TOTAL PROPERTY</b>       | 2003           | \$481,741,983                  | \$172,217,809                     | 35.7                             | 100  |
|                             | <b>2004</b>    | <b>\$451,532,433</b>           | <b>\$158,524,087</b>              | <b>35.1</b>                      | <b>100</b>                                       |
|                             | Percent Change | -6                             | -8                                | -2                               | -  |

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# STATE OF NEW JERSEY

## FIVE YEAR RECAPITULATION OF OFFENSES

### 2000 THROUGH 2004

| OFFENSES                        | 2000           | 2001           | 2002           | 2003           | 2004           |
|---------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| <b>MURDER</b>                   | <b>288</b>     | <b>341</b>     | <b>341</b>     | <b>406</b>     | <b>392</b>     |
| <b>RAPE</b>                     | <b>1,352</b>   | <b>1,277</b>   | <b>1,348</b>   | <b>1,283</b>   | <b>1,328</b>   |
| Rape                            | 1,226          | 1,145          | 1,235          | 121            | 1,202          |
| Attempted Rape                  | 126            | 132            | 113            | 1,162          | 126            |
| <b>ROBBERY</b>                  | <b>13,550</b>  | <b>14,112</b>  | <b>13,987</b>  | <b>13,385</b>  | <b>13,071</b>  |
| Firearm                         | 4,539          | 4,584          | 4,605          | 4,355          | 4,259          |
| Knife or Cutting Instrument     | 1,240          | 1,490          | 1,455          | 1,508          | 1,360          |
| Other Dangerous Weapon          | 1,139          | 1,151          | 1,038          | 1,015          | 966            |
| Strong Arm (Hands, Fists, etc.) | 6,632          | 6,887          | 6,889          | 6,507          | 6,486          |
| <b>AGGRAVATED ASSAULT</b>       | <b>17,086</b>  | <b>17,227</b>  | <b>16,610</b>  | <b>16,442</b>  | <b>16,126</b>  |
| Firearm                         | 2,424          | 2,501          | 2,452          | 2,573          | 2,366          |
| Knife or Cutting Instrument     | 3,576          | 3,612          | 3,587          | 3,605          | 3,363          |
| Other Dangerous Weapon          | 5,635          | 5,606          | 5,427          | 5,016          | 5,179          |
| Strong Arm (Hands, Fists, etc.) | 5,451          | 5,508          | 5,144          | 5,248          | 5,218          |
| <b>BURGLARY</b>                 | <b>43,934</b>  | <b>46,768</b>  | <b>44,035</b>  | <b>43,375</b>  | <b>41,032</b>  |
| Forcible Entry                  | 27,424         | 29,606         | 27,588         | 26,844         | 24,944         |
| Unlawful Entry - No Force       | 11,439         | 12,004         | 11,418         | 11,523         | 11,676         |
| Attempted Forcible Entry        | 5,071          | 5,158          | 5,029          | 5,008          | 4,412          |
| <b>LARCENY - THEFT</b>          | <b>155,480</b> | <b>155,825</b> | <b>148,918</b> | <b>142,603</b> | <b>140,181</b> |
| Over \$200                      | 63,049         | 62,587         | 61,302         | 59,326         | 59,259         |
| \$50 - \$200                    | 46,157         | 45,971         | 42,336         | 39,451         | 38,914         |
| Under \$50                      | 46,274         | 47,267         | 45,280         | 43,826         | 42,008         |
| <b>MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT</b>      | <b>34,150</b>  | <b>37,651</b>  | <b>35,841</b>  | <b>34,655</b>  | <b>30,314</b>  |
| Automobiles                     | 30,863         | 34,009         | 32,388         | 31,181         | 27,246         |
| Trucks and Buses                | 1,784          | 1,782          | 1,678          | 1,635          | 1,354          |
| Other Vehicles                  | 1,503          | 1,860          | 1,775          | 1,839          | 1,714          |
| <b>TOTAL CRIME INDEX</b>        | <b>265,840</b> | <b>273,201</b> | <b>261,080</b> | <b>252,149</b> | <b>242,444</b> |
| <b>CRIME RATE PER 1,000</b>     | <b>31.6</b>    | <b>32.5</b>    | <b>31.0</b>    | <b>29.4</b>    | <b>28.1</b>    |
| <b>VIOLENT CRIME</b>            | <b>32,276</b>  | <b>32,957</b>  | <b>32,286</b>  | <b>31,516</b>  | <b>30,917</b>  |
| <b>NONVIOLENT CRIME</b>         | <b>233,564</b> | <b>240,244</b> | <b>228,794</b> | <b>220,633</b> | <b>211,527</b> |



# STATEWIDE CRIME SUMMARY - 2004

## CRIME INDEX – VOLUME/RATE

- There were 242,444 Index offenses in 2004, a 4 percent decrease compared to 2003.
- The crime rate of the state is 28.1 victims for every 1,000 permanent inhabitants, a decrease of 4 percent compared to 2003.

## ADDITIONAL ANALYSIS

- August with 23,352 offenses reported, recorded the highest incidence of Crime Index offenses while February was the lowest with 17,172 offenses.
- The total value of property stolen amounted to \$451.5 million in 2004, a decrease of 6 percent from 2003.
- Value of property recovered was \$158.5 million, resulting in a recovery rate of 35 percent.
- Stolen motor vehicles accounted for 56 percent of stolen property and 56 percent of the recovered property value.

## CRIME INDEX ARRESTS/CLEARANCES

- A total of 48,799 persons were arrested for Index offenses, which represents a 1 percent decrease compared to 2003.
- Adult Index arrests decreased 1 percent and juvenile Index arrests decreased 3 percent.
- Crime Index arrests accounted for 12 percent of the total arrests in 2004.
- Males accounted for 74 percent of the Crime Index arrests and females accounted for 26 percent.
- Fifty-nine percent of the Index arrests were white, 39 percent were black and 2 percent were other races.
- Hispanics accounted for 19 percent of the arrests for Index offenses.
- Police cleared 20 percent of the Index offenses and juveniles accounted for 18 percent of those clearances.

# VIOLENT CRIME SUMMARY

This category consists of the following Index offenses: Murder, Rape, Robbery, Aggravated Assault.

## VOLUME/RATE/TREND

- There were 30,917 violent crimes reported in 2004, a 2 percent decrease compared to the violent crimes reported in 2003.
- Violent crimes accounted for 13 percent of the total Crime Index.
- The violent crime rate decreased 3 percent to 3.6 victims for every 1,000 permanent inhabitants.

### **ADDITIONAL ANALYSIS**

- The highest number of violent crimes were reported in August with 2,942 offenses while the lowest number was reported in February with 2,095 offenses.
- The value of property stolen as a result of violent crime was \$14.5 million.

### **ARRESTS/CLEARANCES**

- Arrests for violent crime offenses decreased 1 percent to 15,220.
- Violent crime arrests accounted for 31 percent of the Index arrests and 4 percent of the total arrests during the year.
- Adult arrests for violent crime increased less than one-tenth of one percent while juvenile arrests decreased 5 percent.
- Adults accounted for 77 percent of the violent crime arrests while the remaining 23 percent were juveniles.
- Males were responsible for 83 percent and females for 17 percent of the violent crime arrests.
- Forty-nine percent of those arrested were black, 50 percent were white and 1 percent were other races.
- Hispanics accounted for 20 percent of the arrests for violent crimes.
- Forty-five percent of all violent crimes were cleared and juveniles accounted for 19 percent of those clearances.

## **NONVIOLENT CRIME SUMMARY**

This category consists of the following Index offenses: Burglary, Larceny-Theft, Motor Vehicle Theft.

### **VOLUME/RATE/TREND**

- There were 211,527 nonviolent crimes reported in 2004, a 4 percent decrease compared to the 220,633 reported in 2003.
- Nonviolent crime accounted for 87 percent of the total Crime Index.
- The nonviolent crime rate decreased 6 percent to 24.5 victims per 1,000 inhabitants in 2004.

### **ADDITIONAL ANALYSIS**

- The largest number of nonviolent crimes were reported in August with 20,410, while the lowest number was reported in February with 15,077.
- The total value of property stolen as a result of nonviolent crime amounted to \$437 million.

### **ARRESTS/CLEARANCES**

- There were 33,579 nonviolent crime arrests, this represents a decrease of 2 percent when compared to 2003.
- Nonviolent crime arrests accounted for 69 percent of the Index arrests and 8 percent of the total arrests during 2004.
- Juveniles were responsible for 25 percent of the nonviolent crime arrests and adults 75 percent.
- Adult nonviolent crime arrests decreased 1 percent, while juvenile arrests decreased 2 percent.

- Males represented 69 percent and females 31 percent of persons arrested for nonviolent crime.
- Sixty-three percent of all persons arrested for nonviolent crimes were white, 35 percent were black and 2 percent were other races.
- Hispanics accounted for 18 percent of the arrests for nonviolent crimes.
- Sixteen percent of all nonviolent crimes reported were cleared in 2004, and juveniles accounted for 18 percent of those clearances.

## **TOTAL ARREST SUMMARY**

- There were 401,175 persons arrested in 2004, which represents a 1 percent increase compared to 2003.
- The arrest rate for 2004 increased 1 percent to 46.4 persons arrested per every 1,000 inhabitants.
- Adult arrests increased 2 percent to 339,268 and juvenile arrests decreased 1 percent to 61,907 in 2004.
- Adults accounted for 85 percent and juveniles 15 percent of the total state arrests.
- Persons under 21 years of age accounted for 32 percent of all arrests.
- Males accounted for 79 percent and females 21 percent of the total persons arrested during the year.
- Fifty-eight percent of the total persons arrested in 2004 were white, 40 percent were black and 1 percent were other races.
- Hispanics accounted for 16 percent of the arrests.

## **POLICE OFFICERS KILLED AND ASSAULTED SUMMARY**

- In 2004, no police officer was feloniously killed in the line of duty.
- In 2004, New Jersey reported 3,383 police officers assaulted in the line of duty.

# CRIME IN NEW JERSEY, UNITED STATES AND THE NORTHEAST REGION

- Violent crime in New Jersey decreased 2 percent, while the Northeast Region decreased 3 percent overall. Violent crime in the United States decreased by 2 percent overall.
- Nonviolent crime in New Jersey decreased 4 percent, while the Northeast Region decreased 3 percent overall. Nonviolent crime in the United States decreased 2 percent when compared to the 2003 figure.

## INDIVIDUAL INDEX OFFENSES Percent Change 2003/2004

|                     | New Jersey | United States | Northeastern States✦ |
|---------------------|------------|---------------|----------------------|
| Murder              | - 3        | - 4           | - 3                  |
| Rape                | 4          | *             | - 4                  |
| Robbery             | - 3        | - 4           | - 4                  |
| Aggravated Assault  | - 2        | - 1           | - 2                  |
| Burglary            | - 5        | - 1           | - 3                  |
| Larceny-Theft       | - 2        | - 2           | - 1                  |
| Motor Vehicle Theft | -13        | - 3           | -11                  |

✦ Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania.

\* Percent change less than one-half of one percent.

# MURDER

## Definition

Murder is defined as the unlawful killing of a human being with malice aforethought. Any death due to a fight, argument, quarrel, assault, or commission of a crime is included. This Index offense is counted by police on the basis of their investigation without regard to findings of a court, jury or the decision of a prosecutor. Attempts to kill, are scored as aggravated assaults and not as murder. Suicides, accidental deaths, negligent manslaughters, and justifiable homicides are not counted, nor reflected in the murder classification.

## VOLUME/RATE/TREND

- There were 392 murders reported to law enforcement agencies of the state in 2004, a 3 percent decrease compared to the murders reported in 2003.
- Murders accounted for two-tenths of one percent of the reported Index offenses, and 1 percent of the violent crime.

## ADDITIONAL ANALYSIS

- The age group of 20-24 accounted for 20 percent of all murder victims.
- Firearms were used in 58 percent of the murders, knives or cutting instruments in 18 percent, blunt objects in 6 percent, and physical force in 9 percent.
- Twenty-eight percent of the offenders were friends or acquaintances of the victim, while 9 percent were relatives, and 26 percent were strangers.
- Felony murders accounted for 12 percent of all murder circumstances. Robbery was the motive in 88 percent of the 48 felony murders.
- Seventy-two murders were recorded on Saturday for the high, while Wednesday was the lowest, with 42.
- July recorded the highest number of murders 43, while June recorded the lowest 25.
- Forty-four percent of the murders occurred on highways or streets, 16 percent in multi-family or apartment dwellings, and 16 percent in single family dwellings.
- The total value of property stolen because of murder amounted to \$22,130.
- Drug-related and/or alcohol related arguments accounted for 8 percent (32) of all murder circumstances.
- In 2004, 16 murders, occurring in 1988, 1993, and 2003, became known to law enforcement officials as a result of a health care provider intentionally injecting patients with lethal doses of drugs. Counties effected include Essex (1), Somerset (12), and Warren (3).

## ARRESTS/CLEARANCES

- A total of 272 persons were arrested for murder in 2004, a 16 percent decrease compared to 2003.
- Adult murder arrests decreased 18 percent (from 299 to 246) and juvenile arrests remained the same with 26 arrests.
- Sixty-three percent of persons arrested for murder were black, 36 percent were white, and 1 percent were other races.

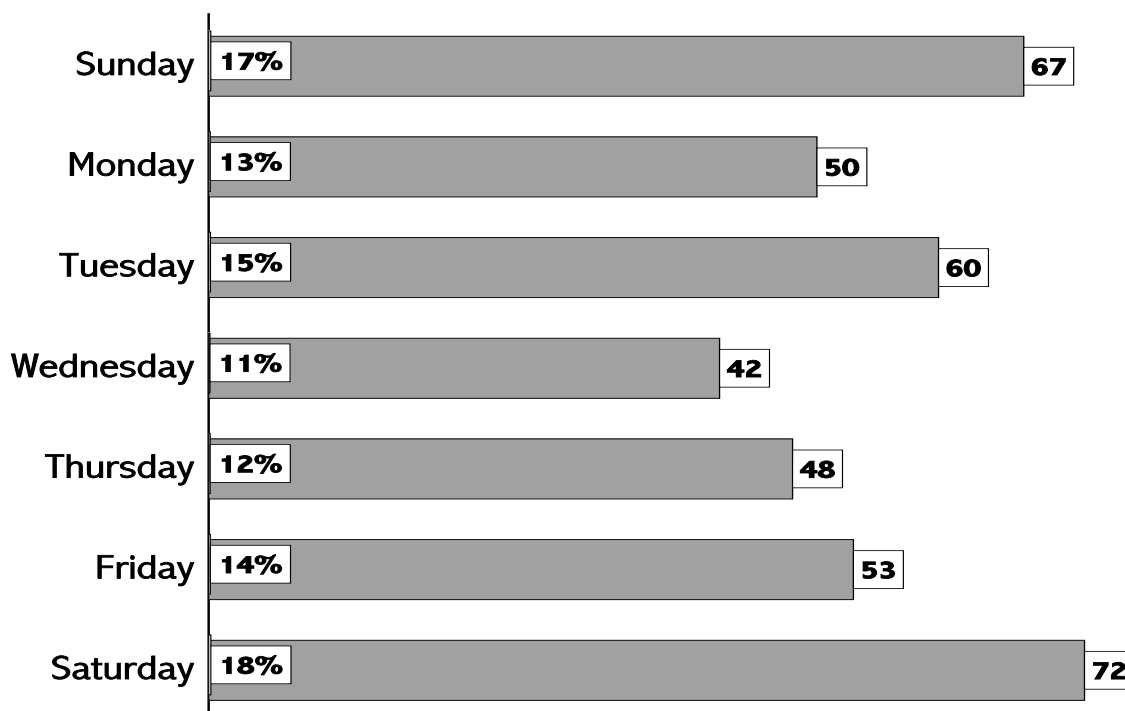
- Hispanics accounted for 22 percent of the arrests.
- Sixty-two percent of the murders were cleared in 2004 (244 out of 392). Juveniles accounted for 7 percent of those cases cleared.
- Males accounted for 94 percent and females 6 percent of those arrested for murder.

### Murder Scenario

|                        |                |                         |                           |
|------------------------|----------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| Most frequent day      | Saturday       | Most frequent offender: | Percent of total arrests: |
| Most frequent month    | July           | Age Group: 25-29        | 18                        |
| Most frequent weapon   | Handgun        | Sex Male                | 94                        |
| Most frequent location | Street/Highway | Race Black              | 63                        |

|                       |       |                       |                           |
|-----------------------|-------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| Most frequent victim: |       | Percent of age group: | Percent of total victims: |
| Age Group:            | 20-24 | -                     | 20                        |
| Sex                   | Male  | 92                    | 79                        |
| Race                  | Black | 72                    | 58                        |

## MURDER BY DAY OF WEEK



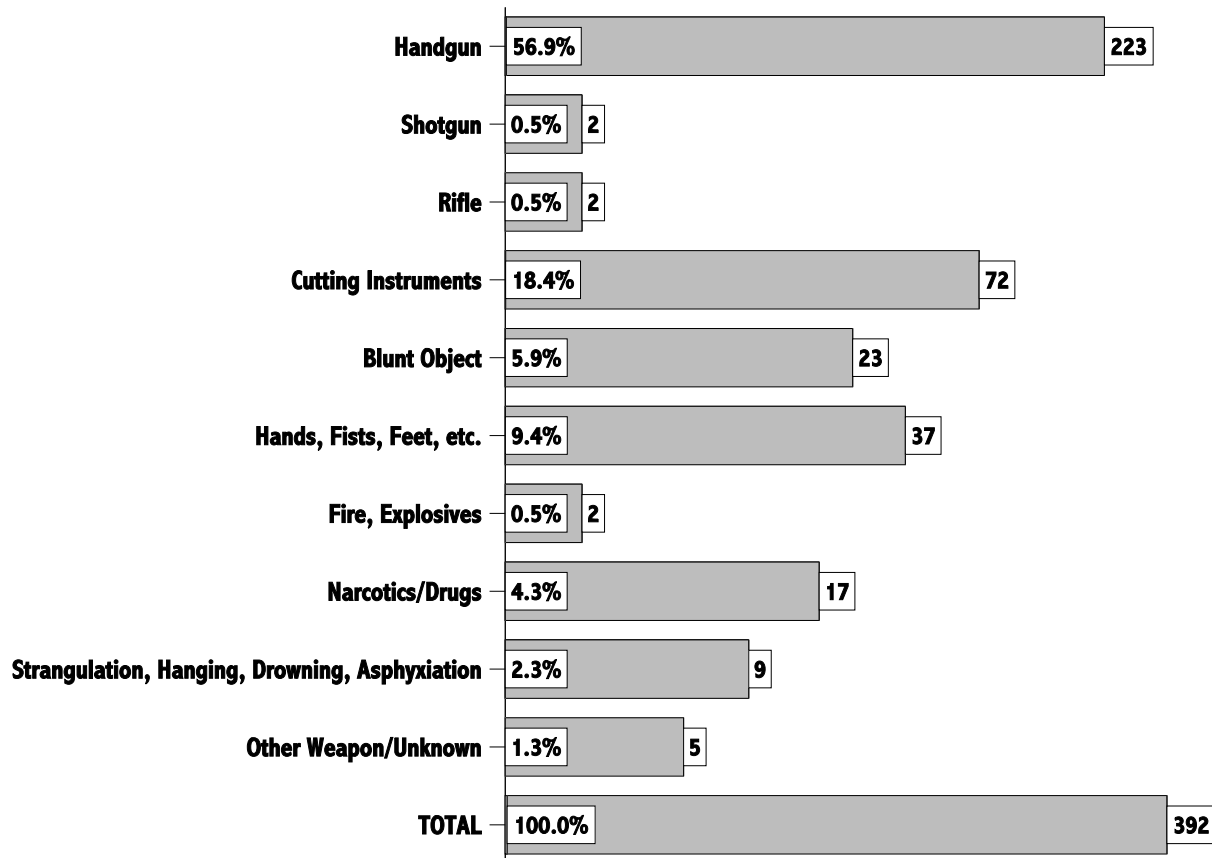
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# MURDER VICTIMS BY AGE, SEX AND RACE —2004

| AGE                  | NUMBER | PERCENT DISTRIBUTION | SEX  |        | RACE  |       |                                   |                           |
|----------------------|--------|----------------------|------|--------|-------|-------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|
|                      |        |                      | MALE | FEMALE | WHITE | BLACK | AMERICAN INDIAN OR ALASKAN NATIVE | ASIAN OR PACIFIC ISLANDER |
| Under 1              | 7      | 1.8                  | 3    | 4      | 4     | 3     | -                                 | -                         |
| 1 - 4                | 3      | 0.8                  | 2    | 1      | 2     | 1     | -                                 | -                         |
| 5 - 9                | 2      | 0.5                  | 1    | 1      | -     | 2     | -                                 | -                         |
| 10 - 14              | 3      | 0.8                  | 3    | -      | 1     | 2     | -                                 | -                         |
| 15 - 19              | 42     | 10.8                 | 40   | 2      | 15    | 27    | -                                 | -                         |
| 20 - 24              | 78     | 20.1                 | 72   | 6      | 19    | 56    | -                                 | 3                         |
| 25 - 29              | 77     | 19.8                 | 71   | 6      | 18    | 58    | -                                 | 1                         |
| 30 - 34              | 40     | 10.3                 | 28   | 12     | 21    | 19    | -                                 | -                         |
| 35 - 39              | 39     | 10.1                 | 26   | 13     | 14    | 23    | -                                 | 2                         |
| 40 - 44              | 16     | 4.1                  | 12   | 4      | 7     | 8     | -                                 | 1                         |
| 45 - 49              | 16     | 4.1                  | 11   | 5      | 7     | 9     | -                                 | -                         |
| 50 - 54              | 14     | 3.6                  | 11   | 3      | 8     | 4     | -                                 | 2                         |
| 55 - 59              | 9      | 3.5                  | 7    | 2      | 4     | 5     | -                                 | -                         |
| 60 - 64              | 11     | 2.8                  | 5    | 6      | 7     | 4     | -                                 | -                         |
| 65 - 69              | 10     | 2.6                  | 8    | 2      | 7     | 3     | -                                 | -                         |
| 70 - 74              | 6      | 1.5                  | 3    | 3      | 4     | 2     | -                                 | -                         |
| 75 and Over          | 15     | 3.9                  | 6    | 9      | 14    | 1     | -                                 | -                         |
| Known Information    | 388    | -                    | 309  | 79     | 152   | 227   | 0                                 | 9                         |
| Percent Distribution | -      | 100.0                | 79.6 | 20.4   | 39.2  | 58.5  | 0.0                               | 2.3                       |
| Unknown ++           | 4      | -                    | 2    | 1      | -     | 1     | -                                 | -                         |
| Total                | 392    |                      |      |        |       |       |                                   |                           |

++ Unknown information was provided on 4 victims; therefore complete data breakdowns are unavailable.  
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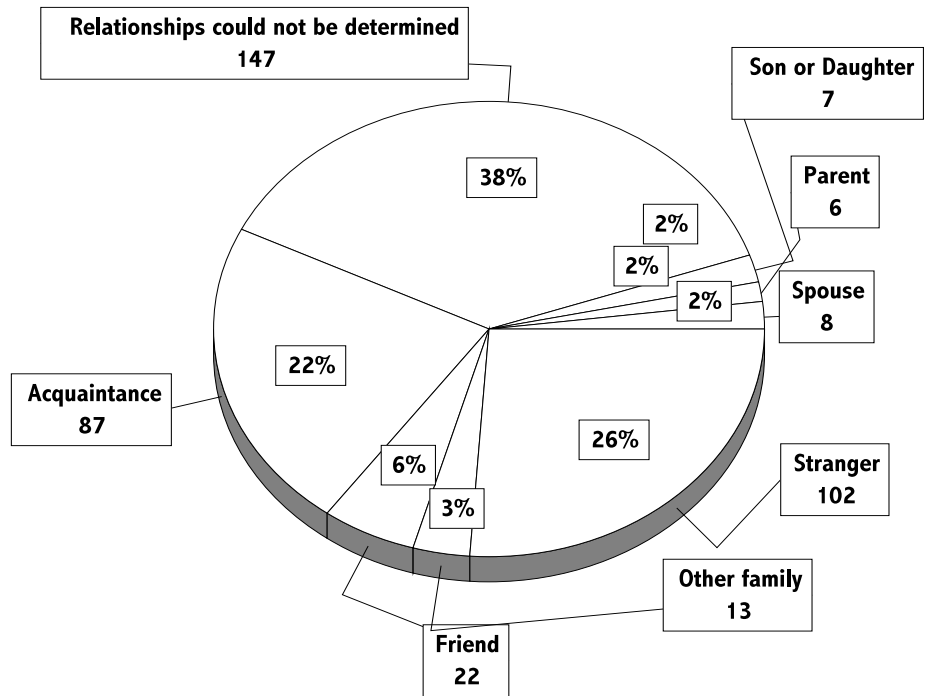
# MURDER — DISTRIBUTION BY TYPE OF WEAPON



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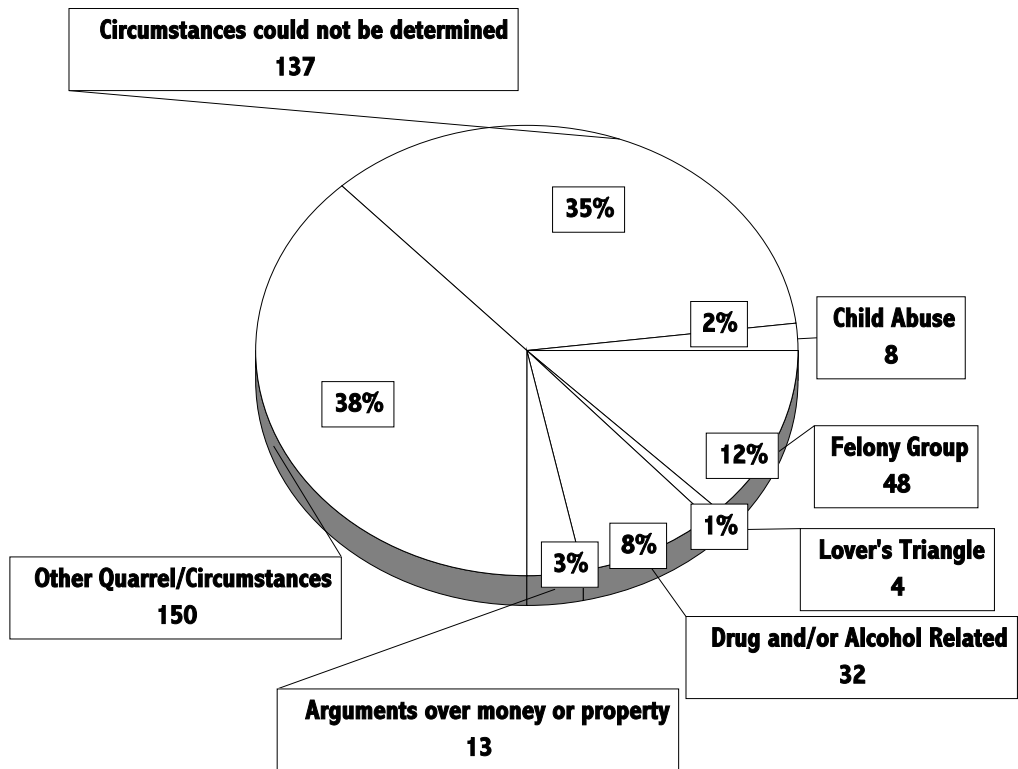


# RELATIONSHIP OF MURDER VICTIMS TO OFFENDER



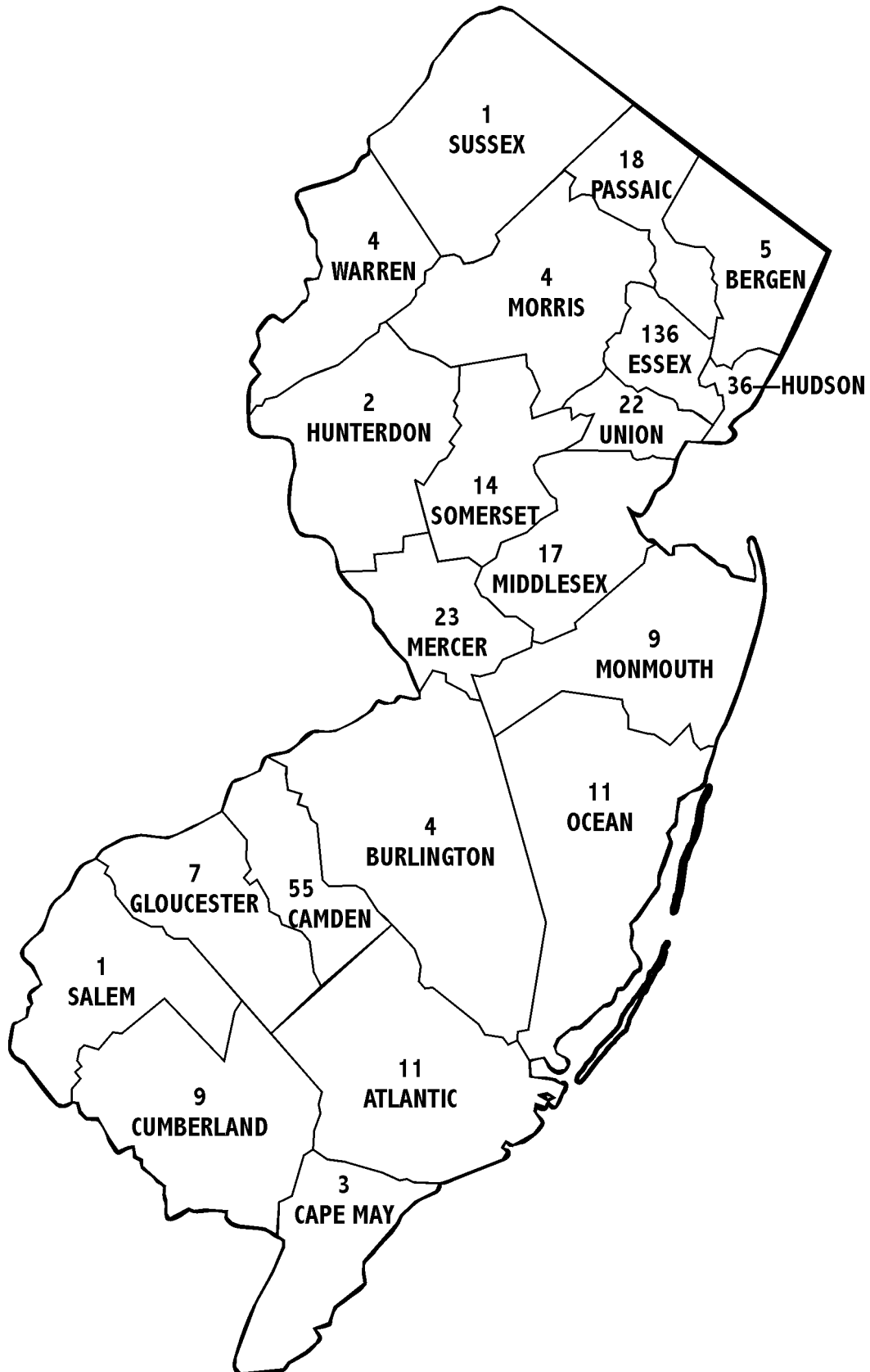
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# MURDER CIRCUMSTANCES



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# MURDERS BY COUNTY - 2004



# RAPE

## Definition

Rape is defined as the carnal knowledge of a female forcibly and against her will. All assaults and attempts to rape are counted, but carnal abuse, rape without force (statutory rape) and other sex offenses are not included.

## VOLUME/RATE/TREND

- There were 1,328 reported rapes in 2004, an increase of 4 percent compared to the 1,283 in 2003.
- Rape accounted for one-half of one percent of the total Crime Index and 4 percent of all violent crimes.

## ADDITIONAL ANALYSIS

- Ninety-one percent of the rapes were forcible, the remaining 9 percent were attempts to rape.
- The total value of property stolen as a result of Rape amounted to \$40,450.

## ARRESTS/CLEARANCES

- A total of 500 persons were arrested during 2004, an 11 percent decrease compared to 2003.
- Adult rape arrests decreased 14 percent, while juvenile arrests increased 6 percent.
- Fifty-five percent of the arrested perpetrators were white, 44 percent were black and 1 percent were other races.
- Hispanics accounted for 25 percent of the arrests.
- Thirty-eight percent of all persons arrested for rape were between 25 and 39.
- Forty-four percent of all rape cases were cleared in 2004. Juveniles accounted for 12 percent of those cases cleared.

### Rape Scenario

|                         |                           |    |
|-------------------------|---------------------------|----|
| Most frequent month     | April                     |    |
| Most frequent offender: | Percent of total arrests: |    |
| Age Group:              | 30-34, 35-39              | 26 |
| Sex                     | Male                      | 99 |
| Race                    | White                     | 55 |

# ROBBERY

## Definition

Robbery is defined as the felonious and forcible taking of the property of another, against his will, by violence or by putting him in fear. The element of personal confrontation is always present in this crime. Under the program, all assaults or attempts to rob are included.

## VOLUME/RATE/TREND

- There were 13,071 robbery offenses in 2004, a 2 percent decrease compared to 2003.
- Robbery accounted for 5 percent of the total Crime Index and 42 percent of all violent crime.
- The Robbery rate was 1.5 victims per 1,000 population.

## ADDITIONAL ANALYSIS

- Highway robberies accounted for 62 percent of all reported robberies.
- Commercial house robberies increased 17 percent while gas, service station robberies decreased 11 percent.
- Total value of property stolen during robberies amounted to \$14,445,877.

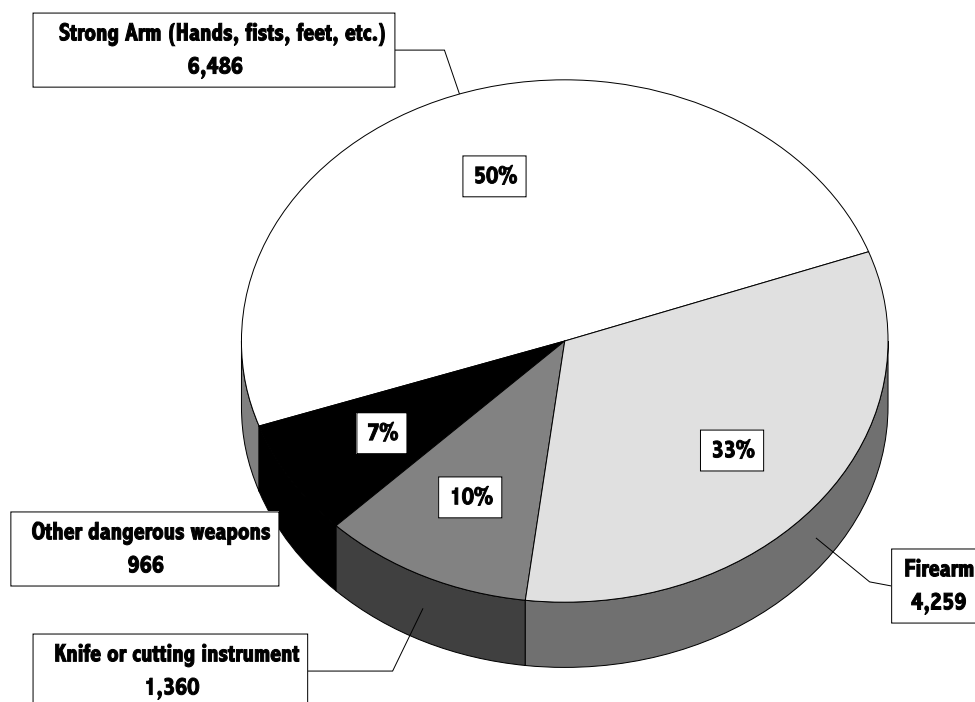
## ARRESTS/CLEARANCES

- A total of 4,153 persons were arrested for robbery in 2004, a 1 percent decrease compared to 2003.
- Adult robbery arrests increased 2 percent, while juvenile robbery arrests decreased 8 percent.
- Males accounted for 89 percent and females 11 percent of the Robbery arrests during 2004.
- Fifty-nine percent of all persons arrested for robbery were black, 40 percent were white, and 1 percent were other races.
- Hispanics accounted for 20 percent of the Robbery arrests.
- Twenty-seven percent of the robbery cases were cleared and juveniles accounted for 23 percent of those clearances.

### Robbery Scenario

|                         |            |                           |
|-------------------------|------------|---------------------------|
| Most frequent month     | July       |                           |
| Most frequent weapon    | Strong Arm |                           |
| Most frequent location  | Highway    |                           |
| Most frequent offender: |            | Percent of total arrests: |
| Age Group:              | 25-29      | 11                        |
| Sex                     | Male       | 89                        |
| Race                    | Black      | 59                        |

# ROBBERY WEAPON DISTRIBUTION



Percent distribution may not add to 100 due to rounding.

# PLACE OF OCCURRENCE

| CLASSIFICATION              | NUMBER OF OFFENSES | TOTAL VALUE          | AVERAGE VALUE   | PERCENT DISTRIBUTION OF OFFENSES |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|
| HIGHWAY                     | 8,147              | \$5,335,495          | \$ 655          | 62.3                             |
| COMMERCIAL HOUSE            | 1,092              | \$2,484,896          | \$ 2,276        | 8.4                              |
| GAS, SERVICE STATION        | 578                | \$599,505            | \$ 1,037        | 4.4                              |
| CONVENIENCE STORE           | 693                | \$581,601            | \$ 839          | 5.3                              |
| RESIDENCE                   | 1,063              | \$3,094,157          | \$ 2,911        | 8.1                              |
| BANK                        | 183                | \$1,406,551          | \$ 7,686        | 1.4                              |
| MISCELLANEOUS               | 1,315              | \$943,672            | \$ 718          | 10.1                             |
| <b>TOTAL FOR NEW JERSEY</b> | <b>13,071</b>      | <b>\$ 14,445,877</b> | <b>\$ 1,105</b> | <b>100.0</b>                     |

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# CARJACKING

- Carjacking is a form of robbery; therefore, further analysis is provided in this section for 2004.
- There were 269 carjacking offenses reported to the police; 3 were determined to be unfounded, leaving a total of 266 carjackings, involving 291 victims, including passengers.
- Carjackings decreased 33% when comparing 2004 to 2003.
- Forty-seven of the 566 municipalities in New Jersey reported carjackings.
- Firearms were involved in 57% (151) of all carjackings. One percent (1) of the firearms used were assault firearms. Shootings were involved in one percent (2) of all carjackings.
- New Jersey registered vehicles represented 88% (234) of all carjackings. Ford, with 11% (28), was the most frequently carjacked vehicle make, while the most frequently targeted vehicle year was 1998 with 10% (27).
- Fifty-four percent (143) of all carjacked vehicles were recovered. The average value of a carjacked motor vehicle was \$9,854.
- Carjackings occurred in a residential area 57% (151) of the time. The hours of darkness (6:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m.) accounted for 72% (192) of all carjackings.
- Sixteen percent (43) of all carjackings were witnessed.
- The most frequent victim age group was 20-24, which accounted for 22% (64) of the victim total (291). Seventy-four percent (214) of all victims were male. Fifty percent (146) of all victims were white.
- The total number of offenders was 479. Insufficient analysis information was supplied on 28% (133) of the offenders. Of all known offenders (346), 20-24 was the most frequent offender age group and accounted for 43% (148). Ninety-two percent (320) of all known offenders were male. Seventy-nine percent (274) of all known offenders were black.
- Juveniles accounted for 15% (5) of the total arrests for carjacking (33), while adults accounted for 85% (28).
- June had the highest number of offenses with (31), accounting for 12% of all carjacking offenses.
- Saturday recorded the highest number of offenses, accounting for 19% (50) of all carjackings.
- Region I, which consists of Essex, Hudson, and Union counties, accounted for 72% (192) of all carjackings.
- No murders were reported in 2004 as the result of carjacking.
- Eight percent (20) of all carjackings (266) were cleared by arrest.

# CARJACKING OFFENSES

## COUNTY AND STATE TOTALS - 2004

|                    | NUMBER OF<br>OFFENSES | ESTIMATED<br>VEHICLE VALUE | ACTUAL<br>NUMBER OF<br>VEHICLES<br>RECOVERED | OFFENSES<br>CLEARED BY<br>ARREST | NUMBER OF<br>PERSONS<br>ARRESTED |
|--------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|--|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| ATLANTIC           | 5                     | \$ 130,000                 | 3  | -                                | -                                |
| BERGEN             | 4                     | \$ 30,000                  | 2  | 1                                | 2                                |
| BURLINGTON         | 2                     | \$ 20,000                  | 2  | -                                | -                                |
| CAMDEN             | 24                    | \$ 189,700                 | 5  | 2                                | 5                                |
| CAPE MAY           | -                     | -                          | -  | -                                | -                                |
| CUMBERLAND         | 2                     | \$ 64,000                  | 2  | 2                                | 3                                |
| ESSEX              | 151                   | \$ 1,443,728               | 95   | 10                               | 18                               |
| GLOUCESTER         | -                     | -                          | -  | -                                | -                                |
| HUDSON             | 19                    | \$ 250,000                 | 11   | 1                                | 1                                |
| HUNTERDON          | -                     | -                          | -  | -                                | -                                |
| MERCER             | 10                    | \$ 131,300                 | 3  | 1                                | 1                                |
| MIDDLESEX          | 4                     | \$ 77,000                  | -  | -                                | -                                |
| MONMOUTH           | 2                     | \$ 17,000                  | 2  | -                                | -                                |
| MORRIS             | 2                     | \$ 3,000                   | -  | -                                | -                                |
| OCEAN              | -                     | -                          | -  | -                                | -                                |
| PASSAIC            | 15                    | \$ 91,350                  | 10   | -                                | -                                |
| SALEM              | -                     | -                          | -  | -                                | -                                |
| SOMERSET           | 2                     | \$ 9,200                   | 1  | 1                                | 1                                |
| SUSSEX             | 1                     | \$ 10,000                  | 1  | 1                                | 1                                |
| UNION              | 22                    | \$ 150,776                 | 5  | -                                | -                                |
| WARREN             | 1                     | \$ 4,000                   | 1  | 1                                | 1                                |
| <b>STATE TOTAL</b> | <b>266</b>            | <b>\$ 2,621,054</b>        | <b>143</b>                                   | <b>20</b>                        | <b>33</b>                        |

# AGGRAVATED ASSAULT

## Definition

Aggravated assault, as defined under the New Jersey Uniform Crime Reporting system, is an attempt or offer, with unlawful force or violence, to do serious physical injury to another. Attempts are included since it is not necessary that an injury result when a firearm, knife, or other weapon is used which could result in serious personal injury if the crime was successfully completed.

## VOLUME/RATE/TREND

- There were 16,126 reported aggravated assaults in 2004, a decrease of 2 percent when compared to 2003.
- Aggravated assault accounted for 7 percent of the total Crime Index and 52 percent of all violent crimes.
- The rate for Aggravated Assault decreased to 1.9 victims per 1,000 population.

## ADDITIONAL ANALYSIS

- The categories of physical force (i.e. hands, fists, and feet) and other dangerous weapons (i.e. clubs, bricks, tire irons, etc.) were used in 64 percent of all reported aggravated assaults.
- Firearms were used in 15 percent of all aggravated assaults committed.

## ARRESTS/CLEARANCES

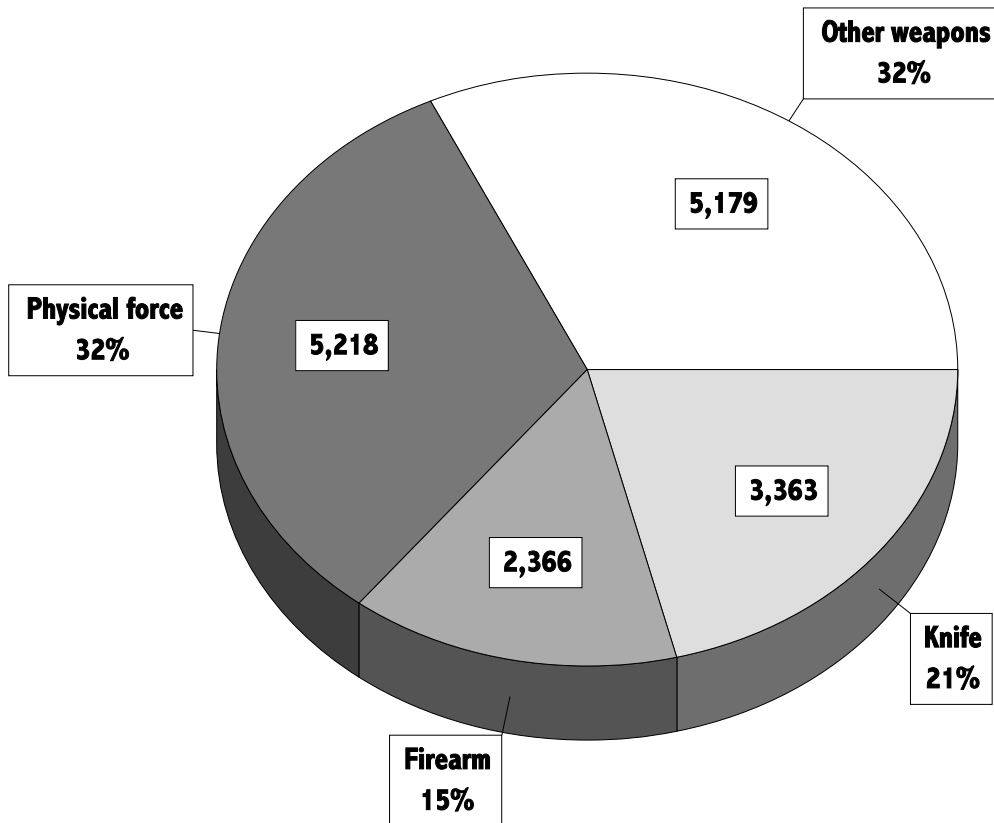
- There were 10,295 persons arrested for Aggravated Assault in 2004, a decrease of less than one-half of one percent compared to 2003.
- Adult arrests increased 1 percent, while juvenile arrests decreased 3 percent.
- Males accounted for 79 percent, and females 21 percent of the Aggravated Assault arrests.
- Fifty-four percent of the persons arrested for Aggravated Assault were white, 44 percent were black and the balance were other races.
- Hispanics accounted for 20 percent of the arrests.
- Fifty-nine percent of all Aggravated Assault cases were cleared; juveniles accounted for 18 percent of those clearances.

### Aggravated Assault Scenario

|                         |                |                           |
|-------------------------|----------------|---------------------------|
| Most frequent month     | June           |                           |
| Most frequent type      | Physical Force |                           |
| Most frequent offender: |                | Percent of total arrests: |
| Age Group:              | 25-29          | 13                        |
| Sex                     | Male           | 79                        |
| Race                    | White          | 54                        |



# AGGRAVATED ASSAULT WEAPON DISTRIBUTION



Percent distribution may not add to 100 due to rounding.

# BURGLARY

## Definition

Under this program, burglary is defined as an unlawful entry or attempted entry of any structure to commit a felony or larceny. Data collection for this offense is further categorized as forcible entry, unlawful entry (where no force is used) and attempted forcible entry.

## VOLUME/RATE/TREND

- There were 41,032 reported burglary offenses in 2004, a decrease of 5 percent.
- Burglary accounted for 17 percent of the total Crime Index and 19 percent of all nonviolent crimes.
- The burglary rate per 1,000 population decreased 6 percent to 4.8 in 2004.

## ADDITIONAL ANALYSIS

- Sixty-one percent of all burglaries involved forcible entry, 28 percent were unlawful entry where no force was used and attempts to forcibly enter accounted for 11 percent in 2004.
- Residences were targets in 68 percent of the reported burglaries.
- Fifty-six percent of the nonresidential burglaries are known to have occurred between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m.
- Stolen property as a result of Burglary statewide, amounted to \$65.8 million, for an average loss of \$1,604.
- The average loss as a result of residential burglaries was \$1,678 and of nonresidential burglaries was \$1,449.

## ARRESTS/CLEARANCES

- Burglary arrests decreased 5 percent with 6,383 persons arrested.
- Adult arrests decreased 2 percent while juvenile arrests decreased 10 percent.
- Males accounted for 90 percent, and females 10 percent of the Burglary arrests.
- Juveniles accounted for 23 percent of all burglary arrests.
- Sixty-five percent of Burglary arrests were white, 34 percent were black and 1 percent were other races.
- Hispanics accounted for 18 percent of the arrests.
- Fifteen percent of the burglaries statewide were cleared and juveniles accounted for 16 percent of those clearances.

### Burglary Scenario

|                               |             |                           |
|-------------------------------|-------------|---------------------------|
| Most frequent month           | August      |                           |
| Most frequent method of entry | Forcible    |                           |
| Most frequent premise         | Residential |                           |
| Most frequent offender:       |             | Percent of total arrests: |
| Age Group:                    | 40-44       | 10                        |
| Sex                           | Male        | 90                        |
| Race                          | White       | 65                        |

# BURGLARY

## 2004

| CLASSIFICATION              | NUMBER OF OFFENSES | TOTAL VALUE         | AVERAGE VALUE  | PERCENT DISTRIBUTION |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|----------------|----------------------|
| <b>RESIDENCE</b>            |                    |                     |                |                      |
| Night                       | 7,714              | \$13,010,013        | \$1,687        | 18.8                 |
| Day                         | 13,567             | \$21,084,710        | \$1,554        | 33.1                 |
| Unknown                     | 6,428              | \$12,391,091        | \$1,928        | 15.7                 |
| <b>RESIDENCE TOTAL</b>      | <b>27,709</b>      | <b>\$46,485,814</b> | <b>\$1,678</b> | <b>67.5</b>          |
| <b>NONRESIDENCE</b>         |                    |                     |                |                      |
| Night                       | 7,432              | \$9,934,060         | \$1,337        | 18.1                 |
| Day                         | 2,091              | \$2,909,664         | \$1,392        | 5.1                  |
| Unknown                     | 3,800              | \$6,467,637         | \$1,702        | 9.3                  |
| <b>NONRESIDENCE TOTAL</b>   | <b>13,323</b>      | <b>\$19,311,361</b> | <b>\$1,449</b> | <b>32.5</b>          |
| <b>TOTAL FOR NEW JERSEY</b> | <b>41,032</b>      | <b>\$65,797,175</b> | <b>\$1,604</b> | <b>100.0</b>         |

Percent distribution may not total 100.0 due to rounding.

# LARCENY-THEFT

## Definition

The definition of larceny-theft, as provided under this program, is the taking of the property of another with intent to deprive him of ownership. All larcenies and thefts resulting from pocketpicking, purse-snatching, shoplifting, larcenies from motor vehicles, thefts of motor vehicle parts and accessories, bicycle thefts, etc., are included here. Embezzlement, unlawful conversions, larceny by bailee, frauds or bad checks are not included.

## VOLUME/RATE/TREND

- There were 140,181 larcenies reported in 2004, a decrease of 2 percent compared to the 142,603 in 2003.
- Larceny accounted for 58 percent of the total Crime Index and 66 percent of all nonviolent crimes.
- The rate for Larceny decreased to 16.2 victims per 1,000 population in 2004.

## ADDITIONAL ANALYSIS

- Theft of motor vehicle parts and accessories and thefts from motor vehicles, collectively accounted for 29 percent of all Larceny-Thefts reported.
- Thefts from coin machines increased 15 percent in 2004, when compared to 2003.
- Theft of automobile parts and accessories decreased 11 percent in 2004, when compared to 2003.

## ARRESTS/CLEARANCES

- Larceny-Theft arrests decreased less than one-half of one percent in 2004, with 25,996 persons arrested.
- Juvenile arrests increased 1 percent and adult arrests decreased less than one-half of one percent in 2004.
- Males accounted for 63 percent, and females 37 percent of the Larceny arrests.
- Sixty-three percent of all persons arrested for Larceny were white, 34 percent were black and the balance were other races.
- Hispanics accounted for 18 percent of the arrests.
- Nineteen percent of the larcenies were cleared, with juveniles accounting for 19 percent of those clearances.

### Larceny Scenario

|                         |                           |    |
|-------------------------|---------------------------|----|
| Most frequent month     | August                    |    |
| Most frequent type      | From Motor Vehicle        |    |
| Most frequent offender: | Percent of total arrests: |    |
| Age Group:              | 35-39                     | 10 |
| Sex                     | Male                      | 63 |
| Race                    | White                     | 63 |

# LARCENY-THEFT (Except Motor Vehicle Theft) — 2004

## CLASSIFICATION BY VALUE OF PROPERTY STOLEN

| CLASSIFICATION<br>BY VALUE OF<br>PROPERTY STOLEN | NUMBER<br>OF<br>OFFENSES | TOTAL<br>VALUE        | AVERAGE<br>VALUE | PERCENT<br>DISTRIBUTION |
|--|--------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|-------------------------|
| Over \$200                                       | 59,259                   | \$ 116,762,106        | \$ 1,970         | 42.3                    |
| \$50 to \$200                                    | 38,914                   | \$ 4,434,310          | \$ 114           | 27.8                    |
| Under \$50                                       | 42,008                   | \$ 736,421            | \$ 18            | 30.0                    |
| <b>TOTAL FOR NEW JERSEY</b>                      | <b>140,181</b>           | <b>\$ 121,932,837</b> | <b>\$ 870</b>    | <b>100.0</b>            |

Percent distribution may not add to 100.0 due to rounding.

## ADDITIONAL ANALYSIS OF LARCENY-THEFT

| CLASSIFICATION                                 | NUMBER OF<br>OFFENSES | TOTAL<br>VALUE        | AVERAGE VALUE | PERCENT<br>DISTRIBUTION |
|--|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------|-------------------------|
| <b>Pocket-Picking</b>                          | 2,398                 | \$ 1,000,842          | \$ 417        | 1.7                     |
| <b>Purse-Snatching</b>                         | 1,560                 | \$ 576,263            | \$ 369        | 1.1                     |
| <b>Shoplifting</b>                             | 20,423                | \$ 4,409,923          | \$ 216        | 14.6                    |
| <b>From Motor Vehicles</b>                     | 28,463                | \$ 16,395,679         | \$ 576        | 20.3                    |
| <b>Motor Vehicle Parts<br/>and Accessories</b> | 11,764                | \$ 6,031,781          | \$ 513        | 8.4                     |
| <b>Bicycles</b>                                | 9,730                 | \$ 2,194,911          | \$ 226        | 6.9                     |
| <b>From Buildings</b>                          | 26,817                | \$ 38,195,829         | \$ 1,424      | 19.1                    |
| <b>From any Coin Operated<br/>Machines</b>     | 1,033                 | \$ 290,670            | \$ 281        | 0.7                     |
| <b>All Other</b>                               | 37,993                | \$ 52,836,939         | \$ 1,391      | 27.1                    |
| <b>TOTAL FOR NEW JERSEY</b>                    | <b>140,181</b>        | <b>\$ 121,932,837</b> | <b>\$ 870</b> | <b>100.0</b>            |

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# MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT

## Definition

In Uniform Crime Reporting, motor vehicle theft includes all thefts and attempted thefts of a motor vehicle. This includes the theft or attempted theft of a motor vehicle which is defined as a self-propelled vehicle that runs on the surface and not on the rails. This definition excludes taking a motor vehicle for temporary use, such as family situation, or unauthorized use by others having lawful access to the vehicle. The motor vehicle theft category includes the subheadings of autos, trucks and buses, and other vehicles (motorcycles, mopeds, etc.)

## VOLUME/RATE/TREND

- There were 30,314 motor vehicle thefts reported in 2004, a decrease of 13 percent compared to the 34,655 in 2003.
- Motor vehicle theft accounted for 13 percent of the total Crime Index and 14 percent of all nonviolent crimes.
- The Motor Vehicle Theft rate of 3.5 victims per 1,000 population represents a decrease of 13 percent when compared to 2003.

## DISTRIBUTION BY TYPE

| Type             | Number | Percent Distribution |
|------------------|--------|----------------------|
| Auto             | 27,246 | 90                   |
| Trucks and Buses | 1,354  | 4                    |
| Other Vehicles   | 1,714  | 6                    |

## ADDITIONAL ANALYSIS

- Motor vehicles represented 56 percent of the total value of property stolen during 2004.
- Total value of stolen motor vehicles amounted to \$251.2 million during the year.
- The average value of a stolen motor vehicle was \$8,288.
- Recovered vehicle values totaling \$141.2 million represent 56 percent of the total value of recovered property.

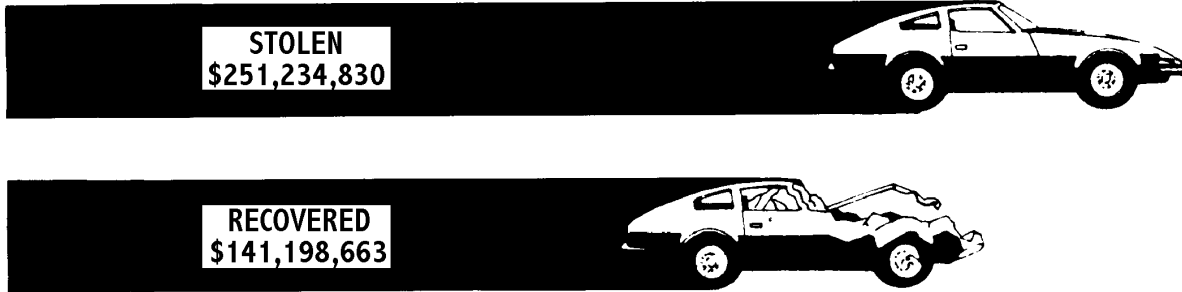
## ARRESTS/CLEARANCES

- A total of 1,200 persons were arrested for Motor Vehicle Theft, this represents a decrease of 15 percent compared to 2003.
- Both juvenile and adult arrests decreased 15 respectively.
- Males accounted for 87 percent, and females 13 percent of the Motor Vehicle Theft arrests.
- Fifty-nine percent of all persons arrested for Motor Vehicle Theft were white, 40 percent were black, and 1 percent were other races.
- Hispanics accounted for 17 percent of the arrests.
- Six percent of Motor Vehicle Thefts were cleared in 2004; juveniles accounted for 17 percent of those clearances.

### Motor Vehicle Theft Scenario

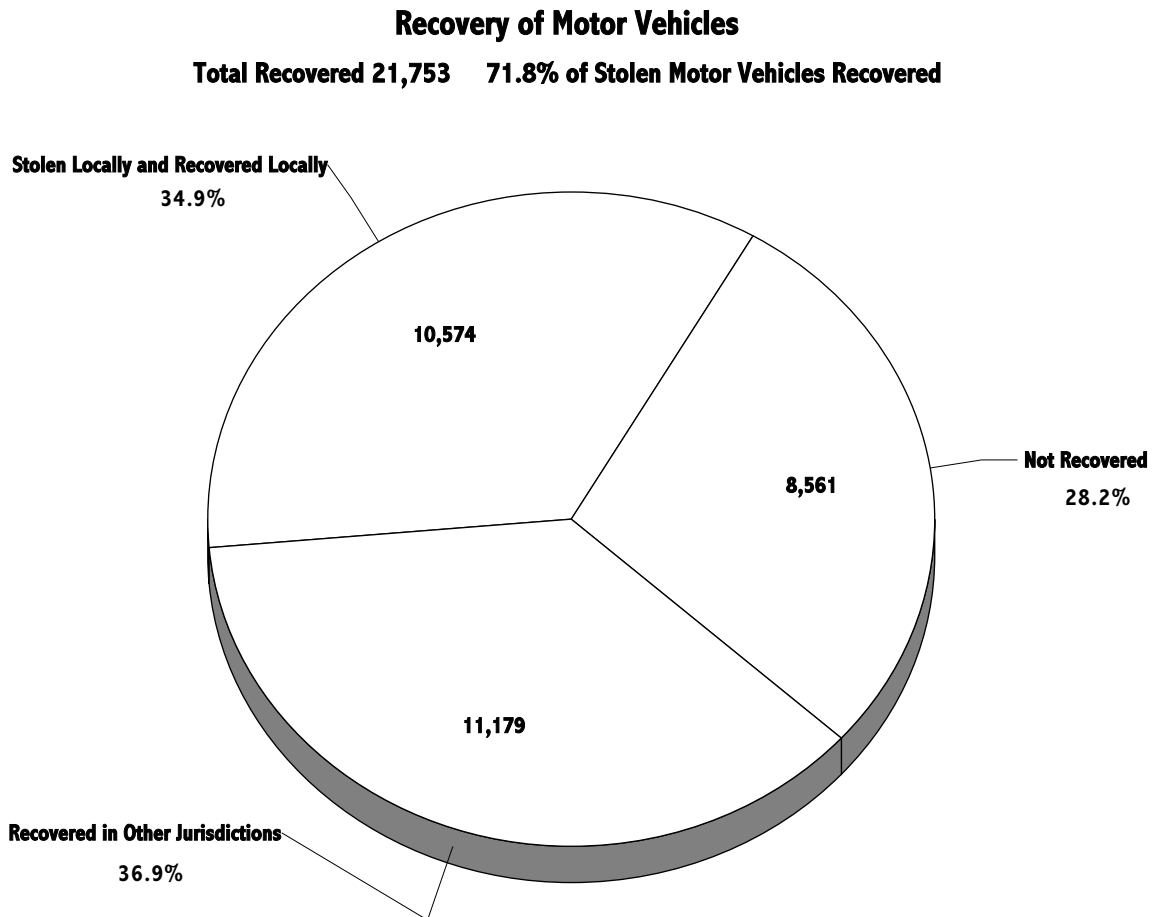
|                         |         |                           |
|-------------------------|---------|---------------------------|
| Most frequent month     | January |                           |
| Most frequent type      | Auto    |                           |
| Most frequent offender: |         | Percent of total arrests: |
| Age Group:              | 25-29   | 10                        |
| Sex                     | Male    | 87                        |
| Race                    | White   | 59                        |

# MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT VALUES



**56% OF STOLEN VALUE RECOVERED**

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# ARSON

## Definition

Arson is defined by the New Jersey Uniform Crime Reporting program as any willful or malicious burning or attempt to burn, with or without intent to defraud, a dwelling, house, public building, motor vehicle or aircraft, personal property of another, etc.

Only fires determined through investigation to have been willfully or maliciously set are classified as arsons. Fires of suspicious or unknown origins are excluded.

## VOLUME/RATE/TREND

- There were 1,378 reportable arsons in 2004, which represents a decrease of 13 percent compared to 1,584 in 2003.
- The Arson rate was 0.2 victims per 1,000 population.

## ADDITIONAL ANALYSIS

- Forty-three percent of the arsons were structures, with single occupancy residences accounting for 16 percent.
- Mobile property, including motor vehicles, accounted for 40 percent of the arsons in the state.
- Other property (timber, crops, etc.) accounted for 17 percent of the reported arsons.
- The total value of property damage due to arson amounted to \$16.1 million for an average dollar value loss of \$11,699.
- The average residential loss was \$23,097, while the average loss to industrial/commercial structures was \$54,430.
- The average loss to mobile property was \$5,551.

## ARRESTS/CLEARANCES

- Arson arrests numbered 393 in 2004, representing a 9 percent decrease, compared to 432 in 2003.
- Adult arrests decreased 21 percent while juvenile arrests decreased 1 percent.
- Males accounted for 85 percent, and females 15 percent of the arson arrests.
- Juveniles accounted for 64 percent of the Arson arrests.
- Seventy-eight percent of the persons arrested for Arson were white, 21 percent were black, and 1 percent were other races.
- Hispanics accounted for 10 percent of the arrests.
- The Arson clearance rate was 21 percent, and juveniles accounted for 49 percent of those clearances.

### Arson Scenario

|                         |               |                           |
|-------------------------|---------------|---------------------------|
| Most frequent month     | October       |                           |
| Most frequent type      | Motor Vehicle |                           |
| Most frequent offender: |               | Percent of total arrests: |
| Age Group:              | 13-14         | 23                        |
| Sex                     | Male          | 85                        |
| Race                    | White         | 78                        |



# ARSON - 2004

|                                       | OFFENSES     | PERCENT DISTRIBUTION | VALUE DAMAGE         | NUMBER CLEARED | PERCENT CLEARED | NUMBER JUVENILES CLEARED | PERCENT JUVENILES CLEARED |
|---------------------------------------|--------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------|-----------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| <b>Single Occupancy (Residential)</b> | 218          | 16                   | \$ 5,586,728         | 74             | 34              | 32                       | 43                        |
| <b>Other Residential</b>              | 114          | 8                    | \$ 2,081,495         | 28             | 25              | 8                        | 29                        |
| <b>Storage</b>                        | 32           | 2                    | \$ 287,925           | 12             | 38              | 8                        | 67                        |
| <b>Industrial Manufacturing</b>       | 12           | 1                    | \$ 49,500            | 4              | 33              | 3                        | 75                        |
| <b>Other Commercial</b>               | 60           | 4                    | \$ 3,869,425         | 18             | 30              | 8                        | 44                        |
| <b>Community, Public</b>              | 87           | 6                    | \$ 657,751           | 33             | 38              | 24                       | 73                        |
| <b>All Other Structures</b>           | 63           | 5                    | \$ 445,231           | 9              | 14              | 7                        | 78                        |
| <b>Total Structure</b>                | <b>586</b>   | <b>43</b>            | <b>\$ 12,978,055</b> | <b>178</b>     | <b>30</b>       | <b>90</b>                | <b>51</b>                 |
| <b>Motor Vehicles</b>                 | 528          | 38                   | \$ 2,464,030         | 41             | 8               | 4                        | 10                        |
| <b>Other Mobile Property</b>          | 24           | 2                    | \$ 600,251           | 6              | 25              | 5                        | 83                        |
| <b>Total Mobile</b>                   | <b>552</b>   | <b>40</b>            | <b>\$ 3,064,281</b>  | <b>47</b>      | <b>9</b>        | <b>9</b>                 | <b>19</b>                 |
| <b>Total Other</b>                    | <b>240</b>   | <b>17</b>            | <b>\$ 79,478</b>     | <b>68</b>      | <b>28</b>       | <b>45</b>                | <b>66</b>                 |
| <b>TOTAL FOR NEW JERSEY</b>           | <b>1,378</b> | <b>100</b>           | <b>\$ 16,121,814</b> | <b>293</b>     | <b>21</b>       | <b>144</b>               | <b>49</b>                 |

Percent distribution may not add to 100 due to rounding.

